Canadian Food Inspection System

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Food Safety is a shared responsibility
- Stakeholders

Governments
- Establish laws and enforce them
- Multi levels of governmental involvement
  - Federal
  - Provincial/Territorial
  - Municipal

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Legal Jurisdiction:
- Canadian Constitution
- Federal jurisdiction
- Provincial/Territorial jurisdiction
- Municipal
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- **Federal Government**
  - Health Canada
    - Food Directorate
    - Veterinary Drugs Directorate
    - Pest Management Regulatory Agency
    - Public Health Agency of Canada
  - Canadian Food Inspection Agency
  - Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada

- **Provincial/Territorial system**
  - Health
  - Agriculture
  - Fisheries

- Municipal and Regional Health Authorities
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- Complexity of the CFIS
  - Shared between approximately 32 F/P/T government agencies
  - Collectively administer approximately 70 statutes related to food
  - Numerous commodity and marketing groups which may control production and certification
  - Does not include municipal governments or regional health authorities

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- Challenges
  - Administrative/regulatory burden
  - Potential duplication
  - Gaps
  - Resource distribution
    - Federal/provincial
  - Geography
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- F/P/T Committees
  - Federal and provincial
  - Health and Agricultural regulators
- MOUs
- Cooperation and assistance
- Specialization areas

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- Questions

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